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(U) CALIFORNIA**(U) Suspicious Package Addressed to US Rep. Maxine Waters Found at Postal Facility**

(U) Los Angeles – The FBI said a suspicious package addressed to US Representative Maxine Waters was found at a South Los Angeles mail facility, similar to packages sent to other critics of President Trump on the East Coast. Yesterday evening, the Los Angeles Police Department rendered the package safe and turned it over to the FBI. Earlier, the LAPD and Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) investigated the package, which prompted an evacuation of the postal facility.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [LA Times](#)

(U) White Supremacists Arrested on Charlottesville Riot Charges

(U) Los Angeles – The leader of a Southern California white supremacist group and two other members were arrested on charges of inciting a deadly riot in Charlottesville, Virginia, last year. The arrests come weeks after other group members were indicted in Virginia on similar charges. Rise Above Movement leader Robert Rundo was arrested Sunday at Los Angeles International Airport after returning to the US from Central America, according to the US Attorney's Office.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [KCRA 3](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER**(U) Texas – Border Patrol Agents Rescue Four in Two Separate Smuggling Attempts**

(U) Laredo – In a span of three hours, Border Patrol Agents found four undocumented immigrants at the I-35 checkpoint station. The first incident occurred around early in the morning when a K-9 noticed the presence of something illegal in a car. After further inspection, agents found an undocumented immigrant in a locked toolbox. The second incident was at 8:00 a.m. when a K-9 noticed another vehicle. The vehicle was supposed to go to the secondary inspection area but instead continued to drive north on I-35.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [CBS Austin](#)

(U) NATIONAL**(U) District of Columbia – Packages Sent to De Niro, Biden Seized, Similar To Pipe Bombs**

Washington – Suspicious packages addressed to actor Robert De Niro and former Vice President Joe Biden were intercepted yesterday, and investigators said they were similar to crude pipe bombs sent to former President Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton and CNN. None of the devices exploded and no one was injured, but the packages, sent to prominent Democrats critical of President Donald Trump, underscored the heightened political tensions two weeks before national midterm elections.

SOURCE: 25 October 2018, [New York Times](#)

(U) Florida – Female Youth Plotted to Stab Dozens of Students

(U) Bartow – Two Florida girls brought knives to their middle school in an alleged attempt to kill and mutilate fellow students for satanic reasons, according to officials. No one was harmed in the foiled plot,

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which was discovered this week at Bartow Middle School in central Florida, school officials said. Police say the girls — ages 11 and 12 — were found in a bathroom stall, allegedly with multiple knives, a pizza cutter and knife sharpener in their possession. The girls planned to commit suicide after stabbing other students, police say.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [USA TODAY](#)

(U) Oregon – 22 Indicted in Drug-Trafficking Ring Linked to Cartel

(U) Portland -- Authorities say 22 people were indicted on federal charges in a drug-trafficking ring that spanned Oregon and Washington state. Federal agents made 17 arrests after spreading out across the Portland area yesterday. 15 people appeared before a federal judge in Portland, entering not guilty pleas. Others are expected to appear in court later this week. They are linked to a Mexican drug cartel and are accused of conspiring to distribute methamphetamine, cocaine and heroin.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Wisconsin – Man Arrested for Trying to Buy Radioactive Materials, FBI Says

(U) Black Earth – A man is accused of trying to buy a lethal dose of a radioactive substance on the internet to kill an unnamed individual, according to the FBI. Jeremy Ryan, 30, was arrested yesterday and charged with attempted possession of radioactive material with intent to cause death. Court documents alleged he tried to buy the materials in March and October.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [WISN ABC](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) China – Cathay Pacific Data Hack Hits 9.4 Million Passengers**

(U) Hong Kong – Cathay Pacific says the personal data of up to 9.4 million passengers have been accessed in the latest security breach to hit the aviation industry. Passport numbers, email addresses and expired credit card details were among the data leaked. Chief executive Rupert Hogg apologized and said there was "no evidence" the information had been misused. It comes weeks after British Airways revealed a major data leak had hit its customers.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [New York Times](#)

(U) Russia – Opposition to US-based Satellite Service, Russia Cites Security Concerns

(U) Moscow – Russia's state security agency is opposing a high-level deal for the US- based OneWeb satellite startup to bring Internet access to remote parts of the country because it says the project could be used to gather intelligence and damage national security. OneWeb, which plans to use a constellation of hundreds of satellites to provide a worldwide Internet network, struck a deal with Russian space agency Roscosmos in 2015.

SOURCE: 24 October 2018, [Reuters](#)

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